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1. Representative Victor L. Anfuso (D., N. Y.), telephoned desiring an appointment with the Director to present ideas. Arrangements were made for an afternoon meeting, but due to pressure of other business the Director called Mr. Anfuso directly and postponed the meeting. Efforts will be made on the 18th or 21st of July to set up the appointment. The Director has promised to initiate the telephone call to Mr. Anfuso.

2. Representative Sidney R. Yates (D., Ill.), Chairman of the House Select Committee to Conduct a Study and Investigation of the Problems of Small Business, telephoned to inquire about the possibility that the USSR was engaged in economic warfare in the aluminum field. He queried whether or not the shift of emphasis from aircraft to missiles would have any bearing and also whether there was any other substitute metal being utilized. Efforts were made to reach the Representative later in the day to furnish him the following information:

The aluminum production of the USSR for 1958 is estimated at 650,000 tons or approximately 1/2 that of the U. S. During 1957 the Soviet Union exported to the West a net of 25,000 tons indicating a surplus capacity. The exports and slight underselling were not an economic warfare matter but were based on the need for foreign exchange. This indicated that the shift from aircraft to missiles did not significantly effect the picture nor was there any other metal coming into the picture at this time.

4. Ben Mandel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, telephoned to inquire if we had translations of Yugoslav articles on present conditions in Communist China. This is being checked and we will supply them if translations are available.